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SUBJECT: CCC: SEVENTH SESSION OF THE WORKING PARTY ON
CUSTOMS ENFORCEMENT OF PERMANENT TECHNICAL COMMITTEE
(PTC)

1. ENFORCEMENT WORKING PARTY (EWP) MET JANUARY 9-13, 1978 TO CONSIDER NEW TERMS OF REFERENCE, ITS FUTURE ACTIVITY, AND CONTINUED EXISTENCE, AND TO CONDUCT A SHORT SEMINAR ON CUSTOMS CENTRAL INDICES.
2. US-PROPOSED TERMS OF REFERENCE RECEIVED GENERAL SUPPORT AND RESULTED IN ACTIVE EXCHANGE OF IDEAS ON NEW TERMS OF REFERENCE AND FUTURE ACTIVITY OF EWP. US PROPOSAL ACCEPTED AND WILL BE SENT TO PTC TO CONSIDER AS ITS NEW TERMS OF REFERENCE.
3. GENERAL DISCUSSION CENTERED ON FORMALIZING FUTURE MEETINGS OF HEADS OF CUSTOMS INVESTIGATION SERVICES (IS) BUT EWP DECIDED ONLY THAT IS MEETINGS SHOULD CONTINUE TO BE SEPARATE FROM EWP FOR THE TIME-BEING. FUTURE OF IS MEETINGS WILL BE ITEM ON NEXT EWP AGENDA.
4. SLIDE AND ORAL PRESENTATION OF US CUSTOMS AUTOMATED CENTRAL INDEX FOLLOWED BY THAT OF OTHER CUSTOMS SERVICES

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MANUAL OR SEMI-AUTOMATED SYSTEMS OR COMBINATION THEREOF GENERATED SEVERAL HOURS OF DISCUSSION, QUESTIONS, AND ANSWERS. FROM THIS SEMINAR EWP DREW SEVERAL CONCLUSIONS ON NEED AND USE OF CENTRAL INDEX FOR ITS REPORT TO PTC.

5. EWP CONCLUDED THAT ITS LIFE SHOULD BE EXTENDED AND WILL SO RECOMMEND TO PTC THEREBY KEEPING OCT. 1978 MEETING ON

THE CCC SCHEDULE.

6. EWP THOUGHT IT SHOULD CONTINUE TO EXIST BECAUSE OF
REQUIREMENT FOR POOLING AND EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION
THAT ARISES FROM PRESENT COUNCIL RECOMMENDATIONS AND IN
THE FUTURE FROM THE ANNEXES TO THE NAIROBI CONVENTION.
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